

Degenerate Americans Who Dwell in Brazil.

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lamous decoction was never brewed. There are two brands, namely. Squirrel and Snake, one giving the consumer a desire to climb and the other to

Climate Bad for Whites.

It is rather a remarkable coincidence that the most of this "white lightning" is manufactured by Americans, or rather the decendants of the members of a colony that came here from the southern states shortly after the civil war. There were several thousand people in this American villa, when it was first established, but many of them returned to the states. Some of them were "moonshiners" at home and they took handily to the business here. They have prospered by the cultivation of another negro luxury—the watermelon. The manner in which the a tropical climate destroys the energy, and is generally demoralizing to persons of northern blood. There is one man in the colony who has made quite a fortune, but the majority are content to live off the soil about like the natives do. It is said that few of the latter generation can greak English lotter generation can speak English at all, and have little or no knowledge the country their ancestors came

This is no place for the white man who has to earn his living by the sweat of his brow. The climate is certwice to say his vitality and reduce him to the physical plane of the native. If he fails to go the native's gait he is almost certain to be the object of in-terest at a funeral. As far as that goes, it is not necessary for a white man to be a laborer to make him a likely candidate for the undertaker's attention, because there are all sorts of germs laying in walt for every paleface. If he dodges them all and gets back to God's country he is lucky.

Fighting the Little Flea. But all the bugs and things are not after the white folks. While the medical men have been finding out what a dangerous enemy the mosquito is to those of northern birth, they have discovered that the little decimals. covered that the little flea is equally deadly to the black and yellow tribes. The flea, like the mosquito, is merely the distributor of diseases. It carries the bubonic plague from rats to people. It, is said that a filea feels even more It is said that a flea feels even more at home on the short ribs of a fat rat than behind the ear of a curly dog.
But in the course of time its host may die of the pest, and then it begins to hop in the search of new quarters. If the wandering flea locates in the breech cloth of a Mongolian, or the stocking of a negress, there will soon be some mourners in the neighborhood if the particular individual has any friends.

Fighting the plague offers more difficulties than the war upon fever, be
Opposition to Progress.

This calls to mind the southern statesman who vigorously opposed all measures of sanitary reform because he believed that disease was the defense the Creator had provided for his people. He argued that yellow fever was a better protection against white invasion than a stone wall built around his country; that it were better for his people to remain in the filth of their surroundings and be unmolest-

HIS is one of the centers of the was a slave market in former times, and since the blacks population of Brazil. It was a slave market in former times, and since the blacks got their freedom it has been their faverite rendezvous. If there is anything that a darkey throughly dichiles it is no at all particular rendezvous. If there is anything that a darkey throughly dichiles is no at all particular rendezvous. If there is anything that times, and since the blacks got their freedom it has been to devised against it. The most affect of the work as a great public of the work as a great public of the work and the work as a great public of the work and t

was a drinking man and had the unfortunate habit of taking too much liquor just at the time he should be
sober. He got drunk and lay back in
his chair sound asleep. Some practical
jokers took a pair of scissors and cut
nis dressuit trousers off just above
each knee. The drunkard sleept on and dressult trousers on just above each knee. The drunkard slept on. Finally he was awakened and started for the dinner, attired in his knee trou-sers. He was too far gone to notice the difference. The servant at the door the difference. The servant at the door turned him away and someone took him home. This is why the American minister's plate was not turned up at one of the annual functions in a principal South American city.

cipal South American city.

In another metropolis, where a second drunkard represented our government, a ball was to be given at the principal hotel. The consul general lived there, and he was celebrating on this particular occasion. An effort was made to keep him in his room out of sight. He tried to eat some soft boffed eggs, but spilled them down the front of his night shirt. Then he decided that he wanted to dance. Imagine the dignified figure of the American representative standing in that ball room door in such a plight.

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Another consul general who speaks better German that, he does English, while talking of going back to the United States, said he intended to go by the way of Europe on a German steamer, so that he could get something good to eat. If our government would supply sausage to some of its German representatives they might be better satisfied with their posts. Still another important post is filled by a German-American who is undoubtedly a clever man, but he was born in Germany and he will never be able to get the Teuton twist off his tongue. It gives those who do not like him an opportunity to say that he is a better representative of Germany than the United States. There is one colored consul of whom everyone speaks well, but the fact that he is a colored man greatly handicaps him in his work. The population of the district to which he is assigned is largely made up of negroes, but they are that the United States is not a largely made up of negroes, but they argue that the Ulited States is not a black republic and should not be represented by a man of color.

Reform Greatly Needed.

end of her parasol, then motioning them aside. The local paper said she was a very rude person, but had no criticism to offer to the men for not voluntarily getting out of her way. Some of the young dandles of. Brazil wear corsets. With their slender waists and needle-pointed mustaches they are too cute for anything.

I was speaking to one gentleman in reference to his son, and asked him what business the young man was following. He replied that the son had never made a start; that his mother regretted to have him go out into end of her parasol, then motioning We are the only nation that sends



certainly turning these latter days into perilous times for the germ carriers.

BY RUFUS ROCKWELL WILSON.

Coming Democratic Convention

HOW POLITICAL HISTORY WILL BE MADE.

John L. Mitchell of Concord heads the New Hampshire delegation, and Patrick A. Collins of Boston the one from Massachusetts. Collins, who was per has had an eventful caree

But I am a senator," the young man "What!" said the marquis, with a points would not express.

and made his impression known

'I am a senator, elected by a Boston strict," Collins repeated. "Were you born here in the city, said the marquis.

In the island next to yours," with a sharp look and a laugh in his eye. The marquis laughed heartily, too, and he remembered Patrick A. Collins' name and face, and when the two men himself up through the usual grades from an apprentice. He landed in Boswhen only 4 years old, and lived schooling, and worked at farming and coal mining. He was 16 when he reself to his trade. Ever thrifty, he had was the time his friends took to elect him to the legislature, and he at the

from New York, with ex-Senator Mur-phy for an associate, and among the district delegates from that state are Patrick H. McCarren, Charles F. Murphy, Charles A. Towne, Bourke Cochran and Martin W. Littleton. Ex-Senator Hill goes to St. Louis under conditions very different from those which four years ago attended his appearance at Kansas City. Then, as now, he was a delegate-at-large, but his sworn enemy, Richard Croker, controlled the New York delegation and he replied to the condescending over-tures. His lordship somehow got the notion that he was talking to a page his stern refusal to accept the place prevented his nomination for vice president. Hill for a dozen years cov-eted his party's nomination for presi-dent and strove for it with rare sinof Warwick, and appears at St. Louis as the leader of the Parker forces. Hill He does not smoke, drink or chew, but

fellows. Hill and McCarren have been bitter personal enemies for years, but the present moment sees them working. Land-in-hand for the nomination of Parker. McCarren, like Hill, is not a seventeen he brought with him noth-ing but his education, his ambition, sentimentalist in politics. Six feet two in his socks and with a crean shaven face that reminds one of both Keller, self. For the time was when Cockran the magician, and the late Bill Nye, the man from Brooklyn is considered, one of the cleverest propositions in Democratic boots today. He has been Democratic boots today. He has been in the senate and assembly of New York for a quarter of a century and knows every Democrat of moment in the state. Those who know him say that he has never broken a promise or betrayed a faith and, while keeping his word, he knows also how to plan and win victories. Last year he carried Brooklyn for the Democrats when the wisest were predicting that the Re-

With the adjournment of the senate in 15th he wang its law shingle to the breeze, and kept on making friends and the other way, the final confirmed all the other way, the final confirmed all the other way, the final confirmed and the other way, the final confirmed all the other way, the final confirmed and the other way, the final confirmed all the other way, the final confirmed and the other way, the final confirmed and the other way, the final confirmed all the other way, the final confirmed with the final the other way, the final confirmed with the fall the other way the final confirmed with the fall the other confirmed with the care of presenting the steries. The first way of the proposal confirmed with the confi

history of Tammany Hall before he succeeded to the place held in other days by John Kelly and Richard Crokerom New York, with ex-Senator Murchy for an associate, and among the most succeeded to the place held in other days by John Kelly and Richard Crokerom New York, with ex-Senator Murchy for an associate, and among the ingrelentlessly for himself and for his friends and by keeping a close rein on his tongue. He does not relish op-position within his own household and there are those who say that he is at main the leader of Tammany Hall.

Just now his sway is more autocratic
than any by which it has ever before

If Murphy's a man of eloquent silence ing speech. A man of stalwart build, having an uncommon big head, crowned with thick black hair, now fast turning gray, Cockran is gifted with resourceful lungs, a richly modulated voice and a well-nigh marvelous command of language. Alert and forcefu alternately pleading and persuasive, he s able to readily sway an audience and o arouse the liveliest emotions on oc pretty sure to be retained on one side New York courts. Cockran deserves great credit for the success that has come to him. When he removed from Ireland to America at the age of permitted himself to be convivial. The moral fibre of the man, however, was displayed when he discovered that a man who had ambition and a career to make, must of necessity exercise men who were incapacitated or ruined by reason of their fondness for vivial pleasures, and he said that whether he made a name and a career for himself or not he would not permit

lic bar rooms and resorts where conviv-iality prevails. Only once during his career of prosperity has he been

HERE are many veterans of past the election ran ahead of the ticket. calker, a car driver, a saloon keeper. The chairman of the Oegon that state is Robation and now, though only 34 years Colonel James M. Guffey and Former Governor Pattison are delegates at large, and David T. Watson, a district it will take her to sink?" delegate from Pennsylvania. Wats who has been for a dozen years more the recognized leader of he is also one of the most successful of living lawyers. He began with no other backing than brains and hard work, and delights to tell how at the end of his first year's practice he found he had made just \$57. Now he is counted

specialty is corporation law, and he will not take a hopeless case and seldom loses one. He is strongest in the hard labor of preparation, and seldom argues a case in court. Instead, he prepares the winning arguments and lets others execute them. lets others execute them. John McMahon heads the Ohio dele-gation and Daniel J. Campau that from

Michigan. One of the veterans of the Indiana contingent is ex-Congressman. Shively of South Bend. The presence of General James B. Weaver among the litical history. Weaver is an Ohio man, born in Dayton in 1833, and during the Civil war fought his way up from the ranks to brevet major general. Returning from the war, he was, in October, 1866, elected district attorney in Iowa. A few months later he was appointed assessor of internal revenue for the First district of Iowa, and held the office for six years. He was sent to congress as a member of the Greenback party in 1878, and in 1880 was its candidate for president, polling 300,000 votes, date for president, polling 200,000 votes. From 1885 to 1889 he was again in congress. In 1890 he was one of the organiders of the Populist party, and as its 1896 he became an ardent supporter of Bryan, whom he nominated at the Populist national convention. In 1900 he again supported Bryan, and this year appears at St. Louis, still faithful to and ready to fight for his leader, continued reverses having failed to subdue his spirit or impair his energy.

red success.

From that day to this Cockran has John Allen's best stories. When in congress he was, as an obstructionist. the peer of the lamented Holman, and

The best known figure among the Kansas delegates is ex-Senator Harris,

while William J. Bryan, twice his party's candidate for president, but now the leader of a hopeless minority, is the Hill cross swords in the committee had made just \$57. Now he is counted a rich man, even for Pittsburg, and the bulk of his wealth has come directly from the large fees paid him, His specialty is corporation law, and he covered by the best part of the city of Sioux Falls. The ownership in it was in some way involved, so that the possession of it depended upon getting a deed from a certain old Indian on file Iowa delegates also serves to recall his negotiations very secretly with the more than one stirring chapter of political history. Weaver is an Ohio man, a race to see who would get to the court house first. There they were, both on the same train, with an even chance of both landing at the same moment, and the Hebrew having the advantage of a wagon at the depot Pettigrew figured this all out as the train rushed on. Presently he walked through the train to the engine and go in the cab with the engineer. Soon in the cab with the engineer. Soon the train stopped and the conducto announced that something had broke for assistance. The Hebrew, scenting danger, stepped on the platform, only to see the engine, detached from the train, speeding down the track with Pettigrew in the cab. Four hours after Pettigrew had filed his deed the other

George T. Beck, son of the long-time senator from Kentucky, is one of the delegates-at-large sent by Wyoming, and among those from Colorado are a delegates-at-large from Montana are delegates-at-large from Montana are escaporer Clark and Gibson, Joseph K. I. Toole and Major Martin Maginnis. Expensive Cannon and Rawlins are delegates at large from Montana are estimated by the sent of the long-time and annual manage Cleveland's campaign. He is manage Cleveland's campaign.

There are many well known names and familiar faces among the delegates from the southern states. Delaware Congressman Maddox, from Georgia; Governor Jennings, from Florida; Edward P. Russell and Congressman chardson, from Alabama, and John Williams, who will probably be tem-rary chairman of the convention, Mississippi. Senator Bailey, who s slated for permanent chairman, cap-ains the Texas delegates. Perhaps none of this group will exert greater nfluence on the affairs of the conven-

almost all his life, for, as a growing lad, he was a page in the body of which he is now a member and later served as its postmaster. His career as a member of the senate began in 1881, and, having been out for four years through a temporary overthrow in his state, he is now in the second year of his fourth term. He is an adroit manager of men, and from the first has been one of the real, if not first has been one of the real, it not showy, leaders of the senate. He has also played a leading part in every national campaign of his party during the last twenty years, and to his efforts in 1884, more than those of any other man, was due the first election of Cleveland. That he has not been for a decay years an avoid candidate. for a dozen years an avowed candidate for the presidency has been due to his habitual caution, and to the fear that his career would be finished if he made an open and unsuccessful bid for the nomination. He coveted the honor in 1892, and only an eleventh-hour con-ference with William C. Whitney, who was in charge of Cleveland's interests in the convention of that year, prompt-ed him to forbid his friends from press-

been, if he is not now, a president of a bank, a director in the railroad com-pany in whose employ he used to be a sends ex-Senator Kenney and the syounger Willard Saulsbury; Maryland, railroads leading thereto, and is the younger Willard Saulsbury; Maryland, railroads leading thereto, and is the Senator Gorman and ex-Governor father-in-law of Senator Elkins. He Smith; Virginia, Senators Daniel and has a delightful house in a large park Smith; Virginia, Senators Daniel and Martin, and West Virginia, ex-Senators Davis and Camden. Senators Blackburn and McCreary and Governor Beckham are delegates-at-large from Kentucky; Senator Carmack, from Tennessee; Senator Tillman and Governor Heyward, from South Carolina; Congressman Maddox, from Georgia; Congressman Maddox, from Georgia; Senator Carmack, from Georgia; Congressman Maddox, from Georgia; Senator Carmack, from Georgia; Congressman Maddox, from Georgia; Senator Carmack, from Georgia; Senator Carmack, from Georgia; Congressman Maddox, from Georgia; Senator Carmack, f shown that he can get along with-out it.

both in and out of his state of being a very suave statesman, and the reputs-tion is a well earned one. He began office holding thirty-five years ago and before his election to the senate in 1902 had been governor of Kentucky and four times a member of the house. At the same time he has found ways for rolling up one of the largest for-tunes in his state. He is the pink of-courtesy at all times and in all places, but never has his eye closed to the main chance. Since he began public life he has, it is said, kissed every baby in the Blue Grass region, no matter what might be the political sentiments of the mothers. It will surprise those who know McCreary if the Kentucky delegates are not early on the winning

"Beyond the Hills."

(W. D. Nesbit in Indianapolis Journal.) I can hear the drums as the army

"I can hear the drums as the army comes
From beyond the hills." he said.
And he leaned and smiled like a happy child
As he shook his snowy head.
And he clutched his cane while the far refrain
Came in murmurs to his ears.
But they whispered low: "He has dreamed it so,
And it is no drum he hears."

I can hear the fife as it leaps with life, And the drums roll madly, too," as the old man's sigh as with kindling would hum the war songs through, s Jimmy Shea-hat is how he'd When the road was hard and long; And it's Billy's drum that is calling As it keeps time with the song."

And his fingers slim beat a tattoo grim.
On the stout arm of the chair.
While his lips grew stern and his eyes would burn.
With the fire that once was there.
"O, the bugle call, and the drums and all."
He would say. "Their russic fills In the march beyond the hills."

I can hear the drums, and the army comes
From beyond the hills," he said.
With his eyes aglow he saluted slow
And he touched his snowy head.
Then his eyes were closed as if he but
dozen. And his day of days had dawned. For the low drum beat had allure

To the hills-and far beyond.